

In re: Application of John J. Park
Serial No. 10/813,199
Filed: March 29, 2004
For: **GOLF TEE HAVING A WIRE SUPPORT FOR A GOLF BALL**

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Summary of the Invention in the following manner; at line 5, Second

Paragraph:

The golf tee and support device of the instant invention is comprised of a golf tee having a spike portion, a head portion and a head side portion. The spike portion being configured for insertion into the ground, the head portion and the head side portion configured for supporting the ends of the flexible support wire. The support wire of the instant invention is comprised of a flexible yet rigid wire where both ends of the rigid wire are attached to the head side portion of the golf tee. The support wire also having a series of bends, which support the golf ball prior to being struck by the golf club. The support wire further having a pointed ~~[[bend]]~~ fold in the front and a series of matching bends along both sides of the wire to insure that the ball is supported in a stable manner prior to being struck by the golf club, the bends of the support wire defining a spoon shaped support portion which cradles the ball. The support wire lastly having a golf club head strike portion which when the strike portion comes into contact with the bottom of the golf club head, deflects away from the ball, thus separating the ball from the support wire prior to the ball being struck by the face of the golf club, in essence suspending the golf ball in mid-air. Such separation insuring that the tee does not decelerate nor change the angle in which the club strikes the golf ball, thus imparting a true trajectory intended by the golfer.

Attorney for Applicant has amended the above paragraph in concordance with Examiner Interview and it is respectfully asserted that the amendment does not present new matter.

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IN THE DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

Please amend the Description of the Preferred Embodiments in the following manner; at line 4,
Second Paragraph:

Referring to figures 1 and 2, the support device is generally denoted by reference numeral 20, which is comprised of a traditional tee 1, where the tee has a head portion 4, a head side portion 2, and a conical spike 3, extending from the bottom of the tee head. The support wire 5 of the support device 20 is further comprised of a series of pairs of bends 6a-9b, which form a spoon-shaped portion culminating at a folded point 10 at the end of the support wire. The ends of the support wire being inserted into the head side portion 2, so as to form the support device. The formation of the support wire begins from the point 10 (midpoint of the support wire), which is ~~[[bent]]~~ folded to form a point having approximately a 70-degree angle between the two lengths of the support wire. A first series of bends 6a and 6b are then formed at an approximately 150-degree angle with respect to the wire length, which folds the point 10 downwards. A second series of bends 7a and 7b are then bent approximately 150 degrees with respect to the wire length so as to bring the point 10 upwards and in line with the remaining equidistant lengths of support wire. A third series of bends 8a and 8b are then bent inwards at approximately 120 degrees and downwards at approximately 160 degrees so as to form a spoon shape which provides a ball support area before the ball leaves the support wire. A fourth set of bends 9a and 9b are then formed at a 170-degree angle with respect to the remaining length of the equidistant wires, thus orienting the point 10 downward to provide a semi-level area defined by the bends 6a-8b. The ends of the support wire are then inserted into the head side 2 of the golf tee and taper inwardly from the spoon shaped portion. The series of bends 6a-8b as described above form the ball support surface where the ball is launched ~~[[threfrom]]~~ therefrom.

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